



**NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY, A MINNESOTA CORPORATION, D/B/A XCEL ENERGY, INC.**

**ND PSC Case#: PU-15-690**

**CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY UPDATE – COURTENAY WIND FARM**

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Xcel Energy, Inc. (Xcel Energy) provides the following update to the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) on construction activity at the Courtenay Wind Farm. Wanzek Construction, Inc. (Wanzek) is the general contractor. Construction management teams from Wanzek and Xcel Energy are on site and engaged in construction management. Construction of access roads to turbine locations is ongoing, with approximately 85 percent completed to date. Excavation of turbine foundations has now begun with approximately 40 percent of excavations completed to date. Mud mats have been poured in 30 of the excavated foundations with rebar installed in 20 of the 30 locations. Monolithic foundation pours have been completed in 12 locations. These activities will continue next week.